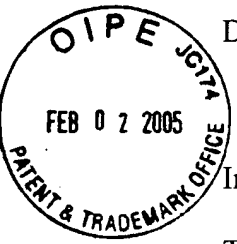


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LETTER UNDER 37 CFR 1.312
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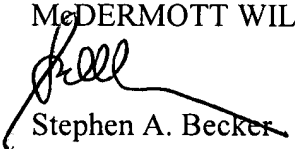
Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed January 26, 2005.

The Notice of Allowability indicates that claims 23-32 have been allowed. This is incorrect. The total allowed claims should read 23-33. Claim 33 was added in the Amendment filed November 10, 2004.

It is respectfully requested that a Supplemental Notice of Allowability be mailed correcting this error and that the records of the Patent Office be corrected to ensure that the deed of Letters Patent will be printed correctly.

Respectfully submitted,

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In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received
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Applicants hereby respectfully request that:

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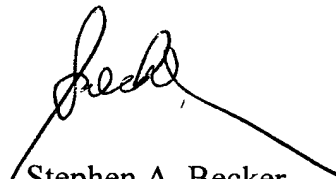
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(2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

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